

Mr. DOMENICI. That is right. The Committees expect that FEMA, the administration, and the island governments will engage in such negotiations expeditiously and in good faith. Depending on the progress made by June 30, 2004, the Energy and Natural Resources Committee may hold an oversight hearing on the matter.

Mr. INHOFE. I agree with this approach.

Mr. JEFFORDS. As do I.

Mr. DOMENICI. I thank my colleagues for their support and for their cooperation in reaching this agreement.

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the substitute amendment which is at the desk be agreed to, the joint resolution, as amended, be read the third time and passed, the amendment to the preamble which is at the desk be agreed to, the preamble, as amended, be agreed to, the amendment to the title which is at the desk be agreed to, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table en bloc, and that any statements related to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 2137) was agreed to.

(The amendment is printed in today's RECORD under "Text of Amendments.")

The amendment (No. 2138) was agreed to, as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 2138

Strike the preamble and insert the following:

Whereas the United States (in accordance with the Trusteeship Agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the United Nations Charter, and the objectives of the international trusteeship system of the United Nations) fulfilled its obligations to promote the development of the people of the Trust Territory toward self-government or independence as appropriate to the particular circumstances of the Trust Territory and its peoples and the freely expressed wishes of the peoples concerned;

Whereas the United States, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of the

Marshall Islands entered into the Compact of Free Association set forth in title II of Public Law 99-239, January 14, 1986, 99 Stat. 1770, to create and maintain a close and mutually beneficial relationship;

Whereas the United States, in accordance with section 231 of the Compact of Free Association entered into negotiations with the Governments of the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands to provide continued United States assistance and to reaffirm its commitment to this close and beneficial relationship; and

Whereas these negotiations, in accordance with section 431 of the Compact, resulted in the "Compact of Free Association, as amended between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia", and the "Compact of Free Association, as amended between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands", which, together with their related agreements, were signed by the Government of the United States and the Governments of the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands on May 14, and April 30, 2003, respectively: Now, therefore, be it

The amendment (No. 2139) was agreed to, as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 2139

Amend the title so as to read: "A joint resolution to approve the Compact of Free Association, as amended, between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Compact of Free Association, as amended, between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and to appropriate funds to carry out the amended Compacts."

The resolution (H.J. Res. 63), as amended, was read for the 3rd time and passed.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

The title, as amended, was agreed to.

ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2003

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m., Friday, November 7; I further ask that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then resume consideration of S. 150, the Internet tax moratorium bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. MCCAIN. For the information of all Senators, tomorrow the Senate will resume debate on S. 150, the Internet tax moratorium bill. It is anticipated that the first amendment to the bill will be offered early tomorrow morning. It is the intention of the managers to work through as many amendments as possible tomorrow. Therefore, Senators should make themselves available for rollcall votes throughout the morning and into the afternoon.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 9:58 p.m., adjourned until Friday, November 7, 2003, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate November 6, 2003:

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

FRANCIS J. HARVEY, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, VICE JOHN P. STENBIT.

THE JUDICIARY

LAWRENCE F. STENGEL, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA, VICE RONALD L. BUCKWALTER, RETIRING.